(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – U.S. Rep. Mike Coffman (R-Colorado) today released the following statement on the AIG bonus bill.

"This vote is meant to absolve Washington Democrats of their responsibility for allowing the taxpayer-funded executive bonuses to pass. The GOP bill rejected by House Democrats twice today would have recouped 100 PERCENT of the taxpayers' money. I co-sponsored this legislation that would have required all bonus money to be returned to the U.S. Department of the Treasury."

"If anyone who voted for the 1,073 page so-called stimulus bill had actually read it they would have discovered a provision inserted by Senator Chris Dodd that allowed any firm receiving TARP funds to be able to award bonuses decided before February 11, 2009."

Congressman Coffman voted against the TARP bill, Stimulus bill, and the Omnibus Budget bill.